

County Estimates



County estimates are published annually by the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field Office for a number of crops, livestock, and farm land use categories. Acreage, yield, and production estimates are made for corn, soybeans, oats, wheat, and hay. Livestock estimates include January 1 inventory of cattle, beef cows, and milk cows on farms. District estimates are made for dry beans.

Several important sources of information provide the basis for these annual county estimates. Preliminary estimates of crops and livestock numbers are developed from a large scale survey at the end of each year in which about 9,000 farmers across the state are contacted.

County acreage information from the Farm Service Agency also receives consideration in preparing several crop estimates.

Revisions, if necessary, are made after considering data that become available after the original estimates are prepared. These include the Census of Agriculture collected every five years.

County estimates prepared by the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field Office include allowances for farmers not sampled, non-respondents, and inaccessible. All county level estimates add to state level data shown elsewhere in this publication.